

devised by the Last Will and Testament of Helen Brooks, she died the 19th day of June, 1924; said Will is recorded in Liber G.E.S. 1, Folio 319, found in the Office of the Register of Wills, Frederick County, Maryland, unto Helen Anne Brooks, John R.W.H. Brooks, and Cora O. Brooks, a certified copy of said Will being filed herewith and prayed to be taken as a part hereof and marked "Complainants' Exhibit No. 2".

THIRD: That the said John R.W.H. Brooks died intestate the 14th day of July, 1943, his 1/3 interest in the above described real estate thus descending to Sarah Brooks, his wife and heirs at law, the said Sarah Brooks thereby obtaining a 1/6 interest in the above described real estate, under the laws of intestacy of the State of Maryland.

FOURTH: That the said Sarah Brooks, left Frederick County, Maryland in the year 1943 and has been unheard of since that time.

FIFTH: That after the 14th day of July, 1943, the said Helen Anne Brooks (now Helen Anne Brooks Owens) and Cora O. Brooks entered into possession of the above described real estate openly, adversely and notoriously, under claim of right and with color of title, the said Helen Anne Brooks and Cora O. Brooks paid the taxes on the said property and exercised sole dominion thereof since that time.

SIXTH: That on the 12th day of November, 1951, the said Cora O. Brooks died unmarried, intestate, leaving surviving her no descendants or heirs at law other than her sister, the said Helen Anne Brooks Owens.

SEVENTH: That on the 2nd day of February, 1953, the said Helen Anne Brooks Owens died intestate, survived by her husband, Henry W. Owens, her daughter Cora G. Taylor, and her daughter, Winifred E. Eubanks, your Orators.

EIGHTH: That your Orators are now in possession of the above described real estate openly, notoriously, adversely, under claim of right and with color of title, said possession having continued from the year 1953, and the predecessors in title of your Orators have possessed said real estate openly, notoriously, adversely, under claim of right and with claim of title, since the 14th day of July, 1943.

NINTH: That your Orators have made diligent effort to ascertain the status of this property and have also made diligent effort to determine who the proper parties of interest are in this action to quiet title to the above described premises, but they have been unable to ascertain any such information, or to discover any formal conveyance of